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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee

Subject: Special Report No 21/2016 "EU pre-accession assistance for strengthening administrative capacity in the Western Balkans: A meta-audit"
– *Designation of Working Party*

1. On 13 September 2016, the European Court of Auditors' published Special Report No 21/2016 entitled "EU pre-accession assistance for strengthening administrative capacity in the Western Balkans: A meta-audit"¹.
2. Under the rules laid down in the Council conclusions on improving the examination of special reports drawn up by the Court of Auditors², it is suggested that the Permanent Representatives Committee instruct the Working Party on the Western Balkans region to examine, with the appropriate involvement of the Working Party on Enlargement and Countries Negotiating Accession to the EU, the report in accordance with those rules.

¹ This special report is available in all official languages on the Court's website:
<http://eca.europa.eu>.

² Doc. 7515/00 FIN 127 + COR 1.